

Fahd briefs cabinet on Israeli violation

RIYADH, Nov. 10 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd Monday evening briefed the Council of Ministers on the violation of Saudi Arabia's airspace in the north-west area by Israeli jets. The incident occurred at 2 p.m. Monday and the Kingdom's fighters immediately intercepted the intruders and forced them back to the occupied Arab territories.

Sheikh Hussein Mansouri, communications minister and acting information minister, said that the cabinet examined the recommendations of a ministerial committee which considered the treatment of employees and workers of foreign companies operating in Saudi Arabia and those of Saudi Arabian

firms and institutions in government hospitals. The crown prince directed that the issue be further studied by the cabinet's plenary committee.

The cabinet approved the public education, posts statute finalized by the Civil Service Board, in accordance with King Khaled's instructions to look after the educational staff in view of the noble service they render. Mansouri said that Prince Fahd expressed his appreciation for the education personnel who bring up, cultivate and serve the new generation. The prince said he believed that the statute will improve teachers' benefits by facilitating the grading process and providing bonuses in appreciation of their services.

Dates farmers given 'good' prices

AHSA, Nov. 10 (SPA) — The Ahsa Irrigation and Drainage Project Authority has decided to purchase 1,000 tons of dates from farmers in the area with the aim of increasing the Kingdom's contribution to the world nutrition program.

The authority's Director General Muhammad Abu Bitain said Tuesday that the move will also encourage dates farmers. It is part of the Agriculture and Water Minis-

try's plan to encourage the farmers by buying their products at good prices, especially for those who had not been able to sell their produce to the Ahsa dates factory recently.

The factory was opened last week to process dates which represent the Kingdom's contribution to the world food aid program. Abu Bitain said that the factory's capacity recorded an increase Monday by processing 300 tons of dates, compared to the 200 tons

Salman awards expropriation survey contract

RIYADH, Nov. 10 (SPA) — A specialized firm has been commissioned to draw up a comprehensive survey of Riyadh in order to determine real estate properties that need to be expropriated.

The decision was taken Monday evening at a meeting of the Higher Committee for the Development of Riyadh under Riyadh Governor Prince Salman, who is also the committee chairman.

After the meeting Riyadh Mayor Sheikh Abdullah Al-Hajj said that the meeting reviewed the projects of Riyadh municipality for which amounts had been earmarked under this year's budget. Some of the projects had been completed, while others were still under implementation, he said.

The mayor said that the purpose for building the commercial shops on Makkah road was to compensate owners of the shops south of Qasr Al-Hukm so that the first phase of the development of Qasr Al-Hukm area project may begin. He added that the rents for these shops will be reasonable as they will never exceed SR15,000 per year. He also said that the Riyadh Zoo will be developed in the same location.

Earlier, Prince Salman, who is also president of the Higher Executive Committee for Movement of the Foreign Ministry and the Embassies (from Jeddah to Riyadh), signed three ownership and leasing contracts for the establishment of the embassies of Finland, Norway and Canada.

IDB chief holds talks in Tunisia

TUNIS, Nov. 10 (SPA) — Tunisian Prime Minister Muhammad Mzali received Tuesday Dr. Ahmed Muhammad Ali, president of the Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank, who is currently visiting the country.

The meeting, attended by Planning and Finance Minister Mansour Muala, reviewed relations between the Tunisian government and the IDB, in addition to a possible participation by the bank in some development projects in Tunisia.

Dhahran airport set for expansion

DHAHRAN, Nov. 10 (SPA) — Dhahran International Airport has become a site of extensive construction work designed to meet the sharp increase in the number of passengers traveling through the airport. The expansion underway is also expected to greatly improve services provided to travelers using the airport, according to officials Tuesday.

Sami Magboul, the airport's director, said several offices, storehouses and aprons built for the Petroleum and Minerals Organization (Petromin) at the airport have been completed and handed over. These facilities occupy 54,000 sq. meters cost SR15 million, he added.

Work will begin soon on extending the eastern runway 600 meters more and installing an automatic approach device for aircraft, Magboul said. With the completion of the SR85 million project, Dhahran airport will have its two runways equipped with the

automatic approach devices on the four ends and a total length of 3,600 meters, he said. A third 3,000-meter runway is also accommodated for emergency, the airport's director added.

He explained that the automatic approach devices are among the most sophisticated safety equipment used for the aircraft take-off and landing. These devices have been fitted at all airports in the Kingdom, he said.

Speaking about recent works at the airport, Magboul said that a 9-km internal road network has been completed. The network, which cost SR4.3 million, was linked to the main road network built by the Communications Ministry near the airport, he said. This has prompted change in the inlets and exits of the airport. Many squares and parking lots also had been built inside the airport, the director said.

Magboul added that a committee, has been formed to study the feasibility of constructing

a temporary international departure and arrival lounge building. The proposed lounges will operate for six years, he said. The present international lounges would be allocated to the domestic departure and arrival movements which have anticipated considerable increase. The committee is made up of the Presidency of Civil Aviation and Dhahran International Airport engineers, Magboul said.

The civil aviation presidency has experimented an evacuation operation on an aircraft which landed at the airport. The experiment was a practical application of the emergency and safety measures to face any cases of emergency, the director said.

Magboul added that four million passengers used the airport during the year 1401 H (which ended Oct. 27).

Meteorologists discuss new plan

JEDDAH, Nov. 10 (SPA) — Meteorology and Environmental protection departments' directors in the Kingdom met here Tuesday to discuss a new operation plan. Dr. Rumaith Mansour Al-Rumaith, director general of meteorology and environmental protection, chaired the session.

Rumaith explained the previous plan and its achievements. He was followed by Dr. Abdul Bar Al-Gaini, assistant director general, who compared the proposed and previous plans. He stressed that the meteorology and environmental protection responsibilities are continuously increasing.

The officials discussed administrative and financial issues, in addition to improving communications among them and problems which had faced them. The meeting will resume Wednesday and will be joined by directors of observatories and weather bureaus to discuss the implementation of the new plan.

BRIEFS

RIYADH (SPA) — The Palestine Liberation Organization has received \$28.57 million from the Kingdom, according to the PLO representative here, Rafiq Natsha. He said Tuesday that the amount represents the third installment of the Kingdom's assistance to the PLO. Natsha commended Saudi Arabia's continuous help to the Palestine revolution and people.

RIYADH (SPA) — Prince Fahd ibn Sultan, vice-chairman of the Saudi Arabian Football Federation, left here Monday for Kuala Lumpur. He will attend a football match Thursday between the national team and China. Prince Fahd ibn Sultan will also supervise the Kingdom's delegation. The Saudi Arabian team will meet China again next week in the context of the World Cup Asian Oceania Group Qualifying Tournament.

RIYADH (SPA) — The final date for receiving applications to King Khaled's ideal factory prize and the industrial maintenance and safety prize has been extended to Nov. 26, according to official reports. The previous deadline for submitting application was decided by the Industry and Electricity Ministry for Oct. 30. The extension is aimed at enabling as many factories as possible to take part in the competition.

JEDDAH (SPA) — The Organization of the Islamic Conference's Inter-governmental Experts' Committee resumed meetings at the Meridien hotel Tuesday. The meeting, which opened Monday, aims to foster economic

cooperation among member states of the 42-nation organization. Tuesday's session was presided over by Muhammad Ali Al-Ghamdi, head of the Kingdom's delegation.

DAMMAM (SPA) — The Eastern Province Endowments and Mosques Department took over Tuesday two mosques in Rubamah and Abqaiq which were recently completed.

Seif Ibrahim Al-Seif, endowments and mosques director general in the province, said that five more mosques will be received in the coming days after their completion. These include the Salhiya mosque of Ahsa on which renovation and expansion work has been finished, he added. The building and renovation works on these mosques cost SR5.3 million, Seif said. He added that a contract for building two mosques in Kharihiya and Abn Humaid in Qaisoumah was awarded to a national company at a cost of SR300,000.

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Asr (Afternoon)	3:17	3:14	2:45	2:30	2:54	3:21
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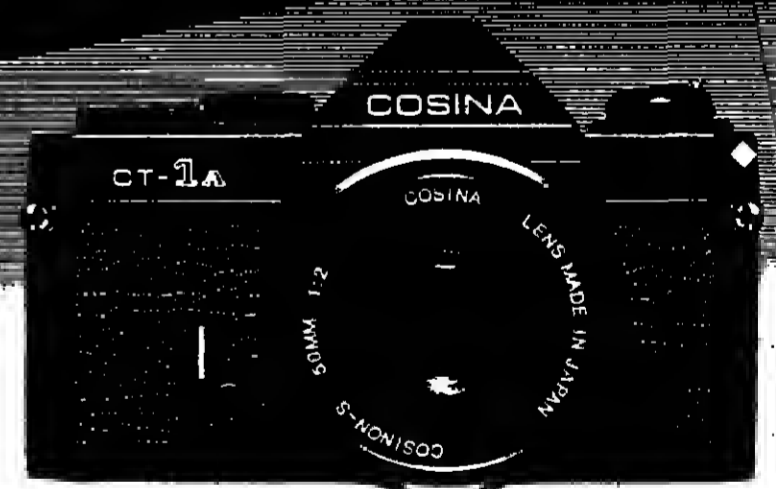
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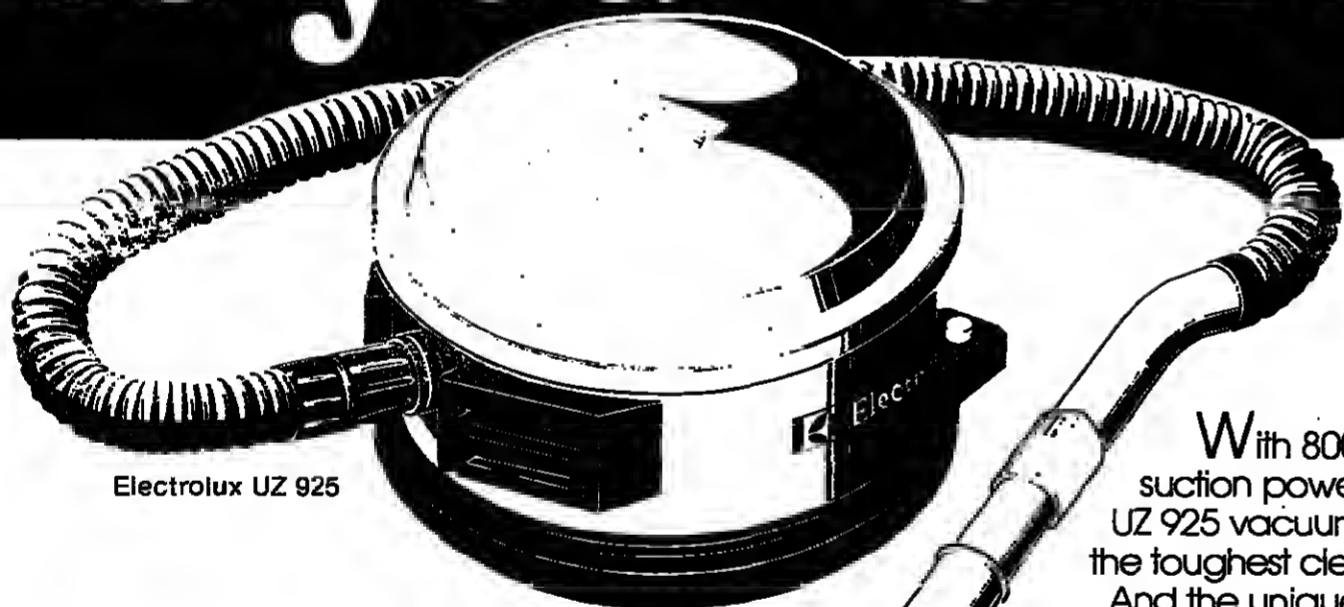
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Fahd's peace proposal 'constructive' -- Yamani

RIYADH, Nov. 10 (SPA) — Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani described the Saudi Arabian peace proposal declared by Crown Prince Fahd as a "constructive framework" for all who wish to take a step toward a just and permanent peace in the Middle East.

In an interview with *Al-Bilad* and the Jordanian daily *Al-Dustour*, Yamani said that the Kingdom did not consult anybody on its proposal because the initiative is not obligatory. It is a set of ideas which are the cream of Arab summits and United Nations resolutions, and they were presented by the Kingdom.

"The proposal clearly defines what we want from the world," the minister said. "The world should understand our crucial cause, and realize that we have basic rights violated and people who have been deprived of a homeland."

He added that Israel's rejection of the plan was not a surprise. "It is an extension of its policy to force surrender rather than peace," Yamani said.

The Kingdom has prepared a working paper on the peace proposal to be submitted

to the upcoming Arab Summit scheduled for Fez, Morocco. "It will be one of the important issues on the summit's agenda," the minister said. It may be adopted by the Gulf group after approving it in the current summit of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) member states which opened Tuesday.

"If the proposal is presented by the Gulf group, it will have great weight at the Arab and international levels," Yamani said, and added that in turn it would influence the Fez summit's discussions and its views on the issues.

Meanwhile, several Arab ambassadors accredited to the Kingdom renewed their country's support for the Saudi Arabian peace proposal Tuesday.

In an interview with *Okaz*, Qatari ambassador Abdul Rahman Hamad Al-Atiya said that the proposal is not an imaginary creation. The eight points of the plan are based on either the resolutions of Arab summits or the United Nations and international community.

United Arab Emirates Ambassador Sheikh Ahmed Muhammad Bourhaimah said the proposal is comprehensive and contains all required points from all aspects.

Kingdom lends Malta \$28m

VALLETTA, Nov. 10 (R) — Saudi Arabia is lending Malta about 12 million Maltese pounds (\$28 million), Prime Minister Dom Vintoff announced Monday.

He said 5.8 million pounds (\$13.5 million) would go towards building a new shipyard at Grand Harbor, 4.5 million pounds (\$10.5 million) would be used for a water desalination project and 1.5 million (\$3.5 million) for telecommunications.

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RIYADH, Nov. 10 — The Aramco Board of Directors concludes two days of meetings Wednesday in Dhahran. The board examined Aramco's proposed three-year operating plan and will approve the 1982 budget.

One member remarked that the agenda contained no surprises or unusual items.

Although Aramco will be making a major effort in the coming five years to develop the northern area oil and gas, as well as a new community at Ras Tanaqib to support those activities. The board-member said those activities were "still to come in a big way." They will not figure unusually large in next year's budget.

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Jerusalem strike continues

West Bank still tense

RAMALLAH, Occupied West Bank, Nov. 10 (Agencies) — In a show of Israeli military strength in this restive Palestinian town troops blocked a planned business strike in protest against Israeli policy Tuesday, but in nearby Jerusalem most shops were closed.

Troops patrolled the streets of Ramallah carrying truncheons and towed around a mobile metal-cutting machine in conspicuous manner, hinting that they would force open the locks of shuttered shops. When shops opened and life appeared normal, most of the

troops withdrew.

In Jerusalem which unlike the West Bank is under police jurisdiction rather than military occupation, shopkeepers responded en masse to the call by West Bank professional unions for a strike. Most schools closed shortly after they opened.

Meanwhile, a petrol bomb was tossed at an Israeli army jeep Tuesday in the West Bank but missed its mark, eyewitnesses said. The incident occurred outside Bethlehem, where many Palestinian shopkeepers kept their premises shut.

Israel massing troops, Arafat says

BEIRUT, Nov. 10 (Agencies) — Four battalions of Israeli troops have concentrated near southern Lebanon and Syria, the Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization Yasser Arafat said here Monday. Speaking at a press conference, Arafat also criticized the forthcoming American man-

euvers in Egypt, Sudan and Oman.

"We declare that we are against all plots in our region, from the Bright Star maneuvers to the Sinai peacekeeping force because it is the implementation of the American plot to control this region," Arafat was quoted as saying by Lebanese newspapers.

ICRC condemns Israeli settlements

MANILA, Nov. 10 (R) — The International Conference of the Red Cross (ICRC) gave majority support Tuesday to a resolution declaring that Israeli settlements in occupied Arab territories were incompatible with one of the Geneva conventions. Israel, the United States and Canada were the only

countries voting against the Jordanian Red Crescent resolution.

It was supported by representatives of 46, Red Cross societies and 43 governments. Officials of 25 Red Cross societies and 20 government abstained from the vote.

Afghan officer defects to Pakistan

PESHAWAR, Nov. 10 (AP) — An Afghan army brigadier defected to Pakistan Monday with 20 of his men and a large quantity of arms and ammunition, the government-owned news agency reported.

If true, the brigadier identified as Shahzad Wazir, would be the highest ranking army officer to cross the border since the 1979 Soviet intervention in Afghanistan triggered a flood of desertions.

Numeiri fires all ministers

KHARTOUM, Nov. 10 (Agencies) — President Jaafar Numeiri has fired all cabinet ministers for alleged inefficiency but ordered them to continue in office until a new cabinet is formed.

In announcing the dismissal in a nationally televised speech Monday, Numeiri bitterly criticized the performance of his ministers particularly in the production field which he said was "gravely deteriorating" during the last few years.

Numeiri said export earnings have remarkably decreased while import spending increased extensively. As a result, Numeiri said, the deficit in the balance of payments was up from the equivalent of \$200 million in 1972-73 to over \$500 million this fiscal year.

The Sudanese leader declared a 19-point plan for improving the economic situation, including devaluing the Sudanese pound by 12.5 percent. The dollar is now worth 90 Sudanese piasters.

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U.N. committee backs W.Sahara independence

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 10 (AP) — Over the objections of Morocco and the United States, the General Assembly's Committee on Decolonization has approved a resolution endorsing the right of the people of the former Spanish Sahara to independence.

The resolution sponsored in part by Algeria, Angola and Libya, won approval Monday by a 73-7 vote, with 54 abstentions. The resolution now goes to the General Assembly for action. Those voting against the resolution included four African states besides Morocco — Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Senegal and Zaïre. The two other

dissenters were the United States and El Salvador. Fourteen African countries abstained, including such moderates as Nigeria, Tunisia and Kenya, current chairman of the 51-nation Organization of African Unity (OAU).

Morocco, which is defending its claim to the Western Sahara against the Polisario independence movement, has agreed to an OAU compromise plan for a ceasefire and a referendum on the political future of the territory. The Polisario guerrillas are supported by Libya and Algeria. The Algerian-engineered resolution welcomes the OAU initiative.

BRIEFS

TEL AVIV, (R) — An Israeli parliamentary delegation, embracing government and opposition, left Tuesday for the United States to declare Israel's growing alarm over favorable Western reaction to Saudi Arabia's Middle East peace proposals.

LONDON, (AP) — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Monday that Britain, Italy, France and the Netherlands are "disposed" to contribute to a Sinai peacekeeping force "if an appropriate basis for participation can be established."

DOHA, (AFP) — Qatar and the Philippines are to establish diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level, it was announced here Tuesday.

LONDON, (R) — Revolutionary tribunals have executed 13 leftist militants in several Iranian cities, the Tehran evening newspaper Esla'at reported Tuesday.

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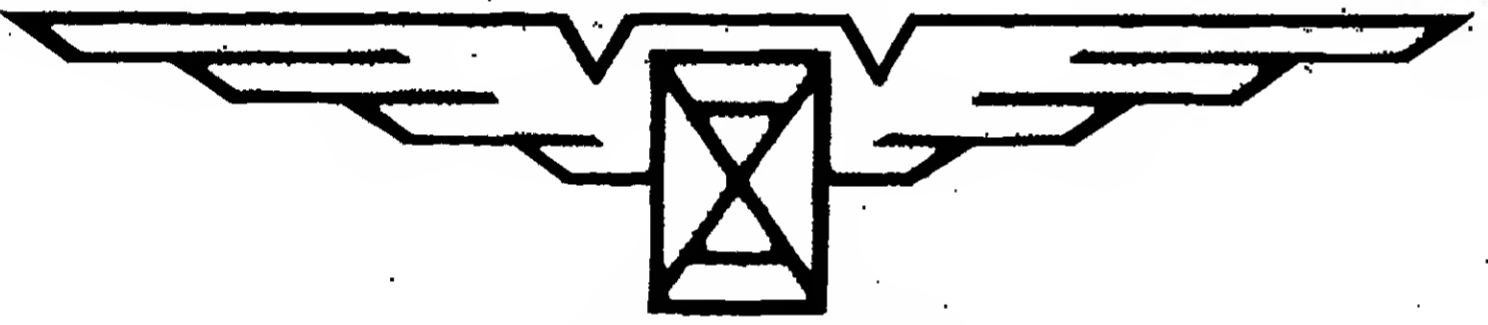
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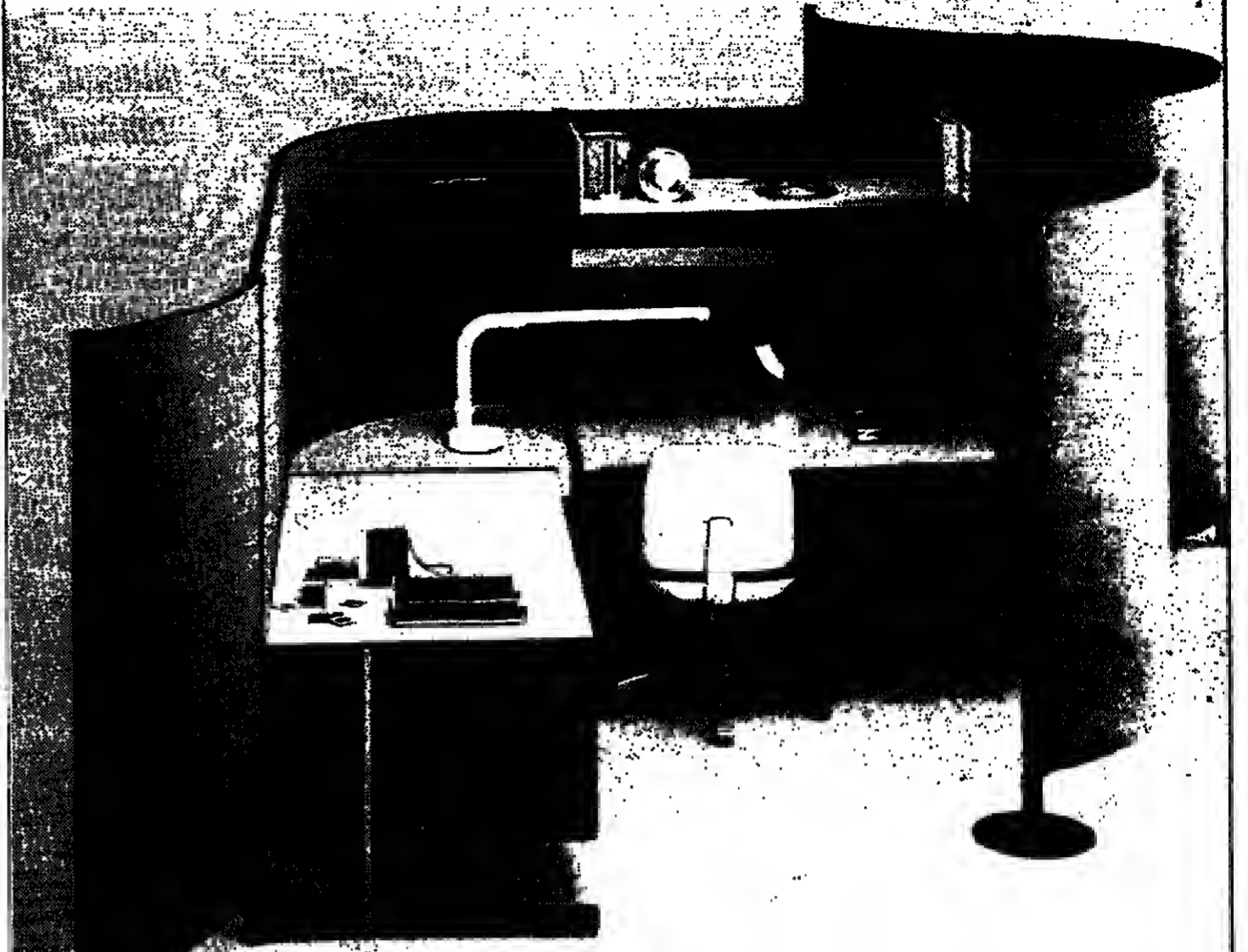
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News of baby enhances Lady Di's popularity

By Robin Leung

LONDON — Just three months after Britain revelled in the glory and pageantry of the wedding of Prince Charles to Lady Diana Spencer, the royal couple have delighted the nation again with the news that they are already expecting their first child. The young prince or princess, who will be born next June will be second in line to the throne. One day, therefore, barring tragedy or revolution, the baby will become king or queen.

A spokesman at Buckingham Palace said: "The Prince and Princess of Wales, the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh and members of both families are delighted by the news. The Princess is in excellent health."

The news came 24 hours after the princess's appearance at her first major state occasion: The opening of parliament by the Queen. Every British newspaper printed photographs of her on their front page, with *The Times* describing her as "shimmering from head to toe."

The princess, still known to her millions of admirers as plain Lady Di, has rapidly taken over as the most popular member of the royal

family. A recent tour of Wales with Prince Charles was a great success, especially when she spoke a few hesitant words of Welsh on being granted the freedom of the city of Cardiff.

Indeed, Lady Di has become so popular that on occasion the prince has been observed almost disconcerted at the lack of attention crowds now pay him if the princess is at his side.

The *Daily Mirror* reported that after the opening of parliament "Diana waved to the crowds — some of the other royals went home to the palace unnoticed. Some day this is going to get embarrassing."

From the moment the couple announced that they intended to marry there has been plenty of speculation about when they would have their first child. After all, among Prince Charles's main roles in life was the duty to provide an heir to the throne, and this, it seems, he has now done with the minimum of delay.

Prince Charles, who is 33, and the Princess, who is 20, will now have to adjust their program for the next few months to allow for the impending birth.

'Worldlet' supports life, proves self-sufficiency

By Robert Locke

PASADENA, California (AP) — Biologist Joe Hanson builds tiny, self-sufficient worlds and seals them in softball-sized bottles to prove a living community can survive on its own by recycling all that it has, to produce all that it needs.

The colonies of shrimp, algae and bacteria — which convert each other's wastes into oxygen, carbon dioxide, water and food — are apparently the most complex, fully closed ecosystems ever to survive more than a year. It may be the first step toward self-contained ecosystems that would allow mankind to venture deep into space and colonize other worlds.

"Eventually, assuming humanity doesn't destroy itself on this small ball, we're going to want to start moving out into space. That's the sort of thing humanity will need," Hanson said. "That means we're going to have to support people and possibly colonies for extended space flights and for extended periods on other planets."

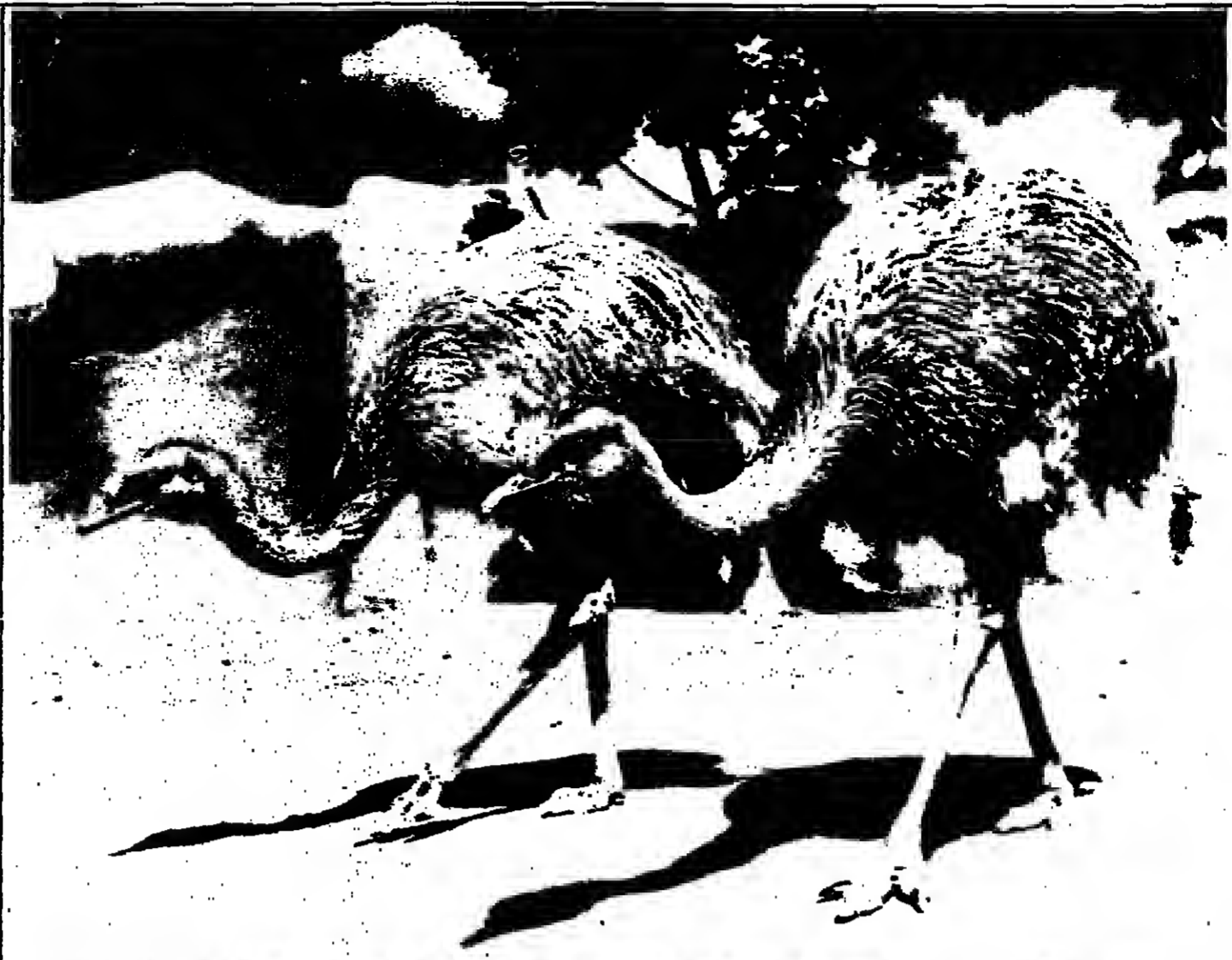
A space voyage could take years, even decades, and require huge supplies of food, water and oxygen. Providing such fundamental essentials for a full-scale colony in 1985 around earth or on another world would be a

nearly impossible challenge. So the closed ecology life support systems section of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration is considering another possibility for developing a whole ecosystem that can handle its own needs just as the bottled "worldlets" on a laboratory shelf at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory have done for almost 16 months.

And on a more terrestrial level, Hanson said, "there's a kind of moral lesson in there: We don't have to keep throwing all of our trash away — it is possible to recycle everything."

"They're extremely complicated, even though all you see is a little bit of algae and a few shrimp swimming around in a small bottle."

Almost all the fundamental pieces that maintain Earth's natural balance are working in three cups of artificial seawater inside the sealed beakers. Plants — microscopic, stringy green algae — produce oxygen through photosynthesis. The half-inch red shrimp use the oxygen and exhale carbon dioxide the raw material of photosynthesis. Bacteria and other microscopic creatures feed on the shrimp's wastes, converting it into fertilizer for the algae, which are eaten by the shrimp.



DANCING DUO: Resembling a pair of professional stage artists, these Darwin's rheas give what appears to be a first-rate dance performance. They are a major attraction at the biggest zoo in the United States at San Diego, California.

Elvis poster in demand as pop art, Mexican 'artists' knock them out

By Marc Lifsher

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico, (LAT) — They seem to be everywhere, those crudely rendered dayglo-on-black-velvet portraits of Elvis Presley that grace the walls of America's truck stops, gift shops and road houses. Depending on taste, most people either buy and enjoy the ubiquitous examples of mass art or quickly turn up their noses at such superstylized renditions of John Wayne, karate king Bruce Lee, rock group Kiss or hundreds of other celebrities, superheroes, animals, and nature scenes.

The black velvet paintings provide a livelihood for thousands of full-time artists who mass-produce the Elvis Presleys, Jimi Hendrixes, and John Lennons in hundreds of back rooms in Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico, just

across the border from El Paso Texas.

Juarez is the velvet painting capital of the world and a tourist trip down the city's main shopping street will satisfy any fan's desire for an attention-getting portrait of a favorite star.

"I do about 15 paintings per day, all the same in each batch," said Jesus Manuel, a 25-year-old artist who has been painting velvet for 12 years. Manuel's current series features majestic bald eagles and pouncing lions that he originally copied from a tattered textbook called "Marvels and mysteries of the animal world."

"First, I stencil the rough outline to center the picture. Then my sister and I go down the line with one color and then the other," Manuel said. "I make these eagles every week, so I know how to do it. I work fast to get out 75

or 80 per week."

Manuel works on orders from Juarez Exports, a Mexican company that has raised velvet paintings to the level of big business, shipping thousands of portraits to the United States and Canada each month.

Fernando Najera, 27, a business administration graduate of the University of Juarez in charge of the company's marketing strategy, has a keen feel for the U.S. pop culture market and tailors production to the public's whims.

Najera said his business started six years ago when he and artist partner Lazaro Deavila, popularly credited with being the father of the velvet painting, realized they could create a steady export market by organizing the individual painters.

Barbican public arts complex to open next spring

By Alan Harvey

LONDON, (R) — After 25 years of planning and controversy Britain is set to unveil a cultural showpiece designed to revitalize the financial heart of London.

"It's unique in the Western world," says Henry Wrong, Canadian-born administrator of the new \$252 million Barbican arts and conference center now nearing completion just outside London's old Roman walls.

Set in 36 acres (14 hectares) where Roman legions once rode and close to Shakespeare's old home, Barbican is due to open in March 1982, years behind schedule and vastly exceeding financial calculations made in the early 1960s.

Birth pangs have been painful. Critics branded Barbican a cacophony of philistinism, a costly fiasco, a triumph of money over matter. But promoters pushed ahead intent on shaping what they called the last great public arts complex likely to be built in Europe this century.

They predict it will bring new life and dazzle to a workday area long given over to business and finance.

In the shadow of St. Paul's Cathedral, it will provide homes for two internationally known companies, the London Symphony Orchestra and the Royal Shakespeare Company, as well as a concert hall, an art gallery, theaters and cinemas.

Social amenities include a library, two restaurants and large public foyers. "The Barbican is a center serving local, national and international communities — the largest single development of its kind in Western Europe," according to a spokesman.

Wrong, who has worked on Canada's National Arts Center in Ottawa and New York's Lincoln Center, said public response to the first eight trial concerts had been overwhelming.

"If this is any indication, we are well on our way to a resounding success," he said. "In a period of worldwide recession, the center will provide new jobs and boost Britain's invisible earnings. Barbican is an act of faith in Britain's future," he added.

Built around an artificial lake, Barbican offers lawns, fountains and trees, exotic touches in a site dominated by commodity prices and stock market quotations.

From its beginnings, Barbican has faced hostility. Calls came from its abandonment in a period of financial retrenchment.

Richard Bourne, an authority on the arts wrote that the center would prove a financial milestone, a "grandiose invention of the 1940s which will devour its subsidies in bricks and mortar, leaving only prestige."

But Wrong predicts that once established Barbican will prove as durable and well-loved a landmark as St. Paul's Cathedral.



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Panel delays action on MX, B-1

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10 (AP) — The U.S. Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense tentatively approved a \$208 billion military spending bill Monday but delayed final action on President Ronald Reagan's B-1 bomber and MX missile proposals.

Republican Sen. Ted Stevens, chairman of the subcommittee, said the bomber and missile programs will be considered after a closed meeting Tuesday.

The subcommittee's bill is \$7.1 billion above Reagan's budget request and \$13.7 billion above the amount approved by the corresponding subcommittee in the house.

Stevens told the subcommittee that the recommended increases are "large, but not irresponsible" and added, "a long and rocky road lies ahead for the defense appropriation bill before it is finally enacted."

He said the bill will be "under attack" in the full appropriations committee, on the Senate floor and in a later House-Senate Conference Committee. The Appropriations Committee is headed by Republican Sen. Mark O. Hatfield, who favors cuts in defense spending.

Stevens, although he had said earlier that he considers the B-1 unnecessary and too costly, announced he will support the administration's request for 100 of the bombers.

"My position is that it is an interim weapon that we must have in span a critical gulf in strategic superiority with the Soviet Union," he said.

Stevens also recommended "maximum funding" for developments of the so-called Stealth airplane, which would be equipped with devices to foil radar and which is intended to take over from the B-1 in the 1990s as the mainstay of the U.S. strategic air arm.

Stevens also said he supports the administration's proposal to buy 100 MX missiles and put up to 40 of them in existing missile silos. But he added that "some adjustments may be proposed and some may indeed be in order."

Earlier, the office of Democrat Sen. Patrick Leahy distributed copies of a letter from Alice C. Rivlin, director of the Congressional

Budget Office, estimating the cost of the proposed 100 B-1s at \$39.8 billion.

The Air Force has estimated the cost of the B-1s at \$19.7 billion, a figure which doesn't take inflation into account. The Budget Office estimate does count inflation and includes a number of potential additions to the airplane that were not part of the Air Force estimate.

"Unfortunately, we cannot pay for the B-1 with last year's dollars or build it without full equipment," Leahy said in a news release prepared in advance and handed out along with the letter. "The B-1 will be obsolete before it is built."

U.S. Navy may retire oldest admiral

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10 (AP) — The U.S. Navy wants to replace Adm. Hyman G. Rickover, considered the father of America's nuclear navy and at 81 the oldest officer wearing a U.S. military uniform, Pentagon sources say.

The sources said Monday that Navy Secretary John Lehman has recommended to defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger replacement of the four-star admiral.

If Weinberger agrees, President Ronald Reagan will have the final decision whether Rickover gets another of the two-year extensions that have kept him on active duty beyond the 62-year age limit.

The question of Rickover's tenure arises because his most recent extension expires in

January, the month he turns 82. Rickover, the Russian-born son of an immigrant tailor, has been in the Navy for 59 years. The Navy and Weinberger refused comment Monday. Rickover, a frequent critic of military affairs who rarely grants interviews, could not be contacted.

The sources, who asked to remain anonymous, said the timing of Rickover's replacement as deputy commander for nuclear propulsion in the sea systems command section has not been decided.

Rickover's longevity is due in part to support on Capitol Hill, although his power base there is not as strong as it once was. One supporter, Sen. Henry M. Jackson, said Monday that retiring Rickover won't be easy.

Murdoch seeks talks with staff

LONDON, Nov. 10 (AFP) — Rupert Murdoch, Australian owner of *The Times* and *Sunday Times*, has asked leaders for talks on staff reductions aimed at stemming huge losses, *The Times* reported Tuesday.

The newspaper said Murdoch had told union leaders Monday night that estimated annual losses amounting to 13 million pounds sterling (\$24 million) for the newspapers and supplements made the cuts necessary.

He said staff cutbacks were likely to involve press, publishing, clerical and editorial areas, but gave no figures for the reductions.

"It would be a mistake for the navy to not extend his tour," Jackson said. "I think the uproar in this country and on Capitol Hill will cause them in the end to follow a different course."

Rickover survived an attempt to oust him in the 1960s and in the early 1970s clashed repeatedly with superiors.

So far, the only name to emerge in speculation as a possible successor is Adm. Robert Long, commander in chief of all U.S. military forces in the Pacific area. Rickover also serves as the head of a nuclear branch under the Energy Department, a civilian agency.

Rickover's greatest achievement was to win acceptance years ago of the principle that all new U.S. subs should be nuclear-powered.

Trinidad ruling party wins

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Nov. 10 (AP) — The Peoples National Movement increased its hold on the Trinidad-Tobago Parliament to an overwhelming 3-to-1 majority in national elections Monday, crushing what had been touted as the stiffest electoral challenge in the party's quarter century of power.

With only a few voting districts unreported, the PNM was assured of 27 of the 36 seats in the House of Representatives, according to unofficial returns. However, there was no immediate victory claim from Prime Minister George Chambers, who became the party leader when Dr. Eric Williams, the nation's only previous prime minister, died in March. The PNM had 24 seats in the last legislature.

The unofficial returns gave the Democratic Action Congress faction of the opposition alliance the two seats representing the little island of Tobago, where 50,000 of the twin-island nation's 1.2 million people live. The alliance's United Labor Front appeared likely to win the remaining seven seats.

The 18-month-old Organization of National Reconstruction, which was considered the biggest threat to the PNM, did not win a single seat. ONR leader Karl Hudson-Phillips charged that a majority of his party's supporters had not been allowed to vote and said the election results were "not a true reflection of the mood of the country."

He also alleged that the PNM did not have the backing of the majority of the population and predicted "problems with the democratic process." Also shut out was the National Joint Action Committee, led by a former activist in the island's 1970 black power demonstrations.

The opposition parties charged the PNM with perpetuating inefficiency, corruption and waste that they said increased under the Williams regime. Chambers said he would correct the problems but made little progress in his seven months in power.

Trinidad and Tobago, off the northern coast of South America, have enough oil and natural gas for energy self-sufficiency. These resources enable the nation to fund its development program for the next century, foreign economic analysts say. But the nation is plagued with such problems as malfunctioning telephones, poor water, power and transport systems and bad roads.

Trinidad is the larger and more highly developed of the two islands, accounting for nearly 95 percent of the nation's area and population.

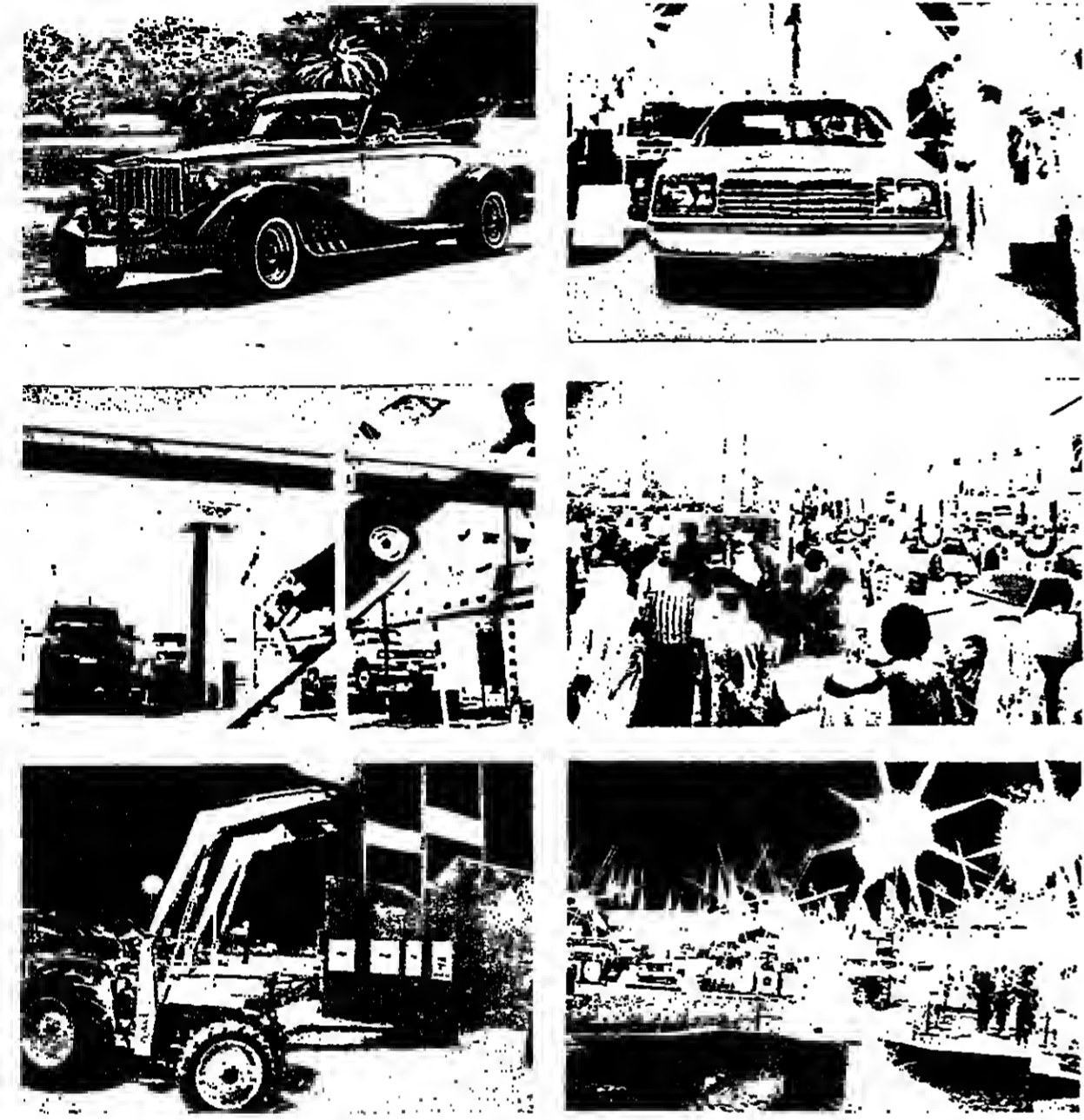
Nicaragua alerts army

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Nov. 10 (AP) — Nicaragua's leftist regime has put the armed forces on alert against what it considers a threatened U.S. invasion, the government newspaper *Barricada* has said.

Army troops began maneuvers all over the country Sunday following news reports from Washington that U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig had asked the Defense Department to study options for possible military action in El Salvador and against Cuba and Nicaragua, the newspaper said Monday.

Foreign Minister Miguel d'Escoto told reporters Monday the government "wants to have the best relations with the United States, despite the campaign by that country to destabilize and discredit the Nicaraguan revolution."

"We are tired of their threats to invade us, but we can assure that we are not going to invade them, that they need not fear for their national security," d'Escoto added. He said U.S. military aid to the Salvadoran junta threatened the security of all Central America.



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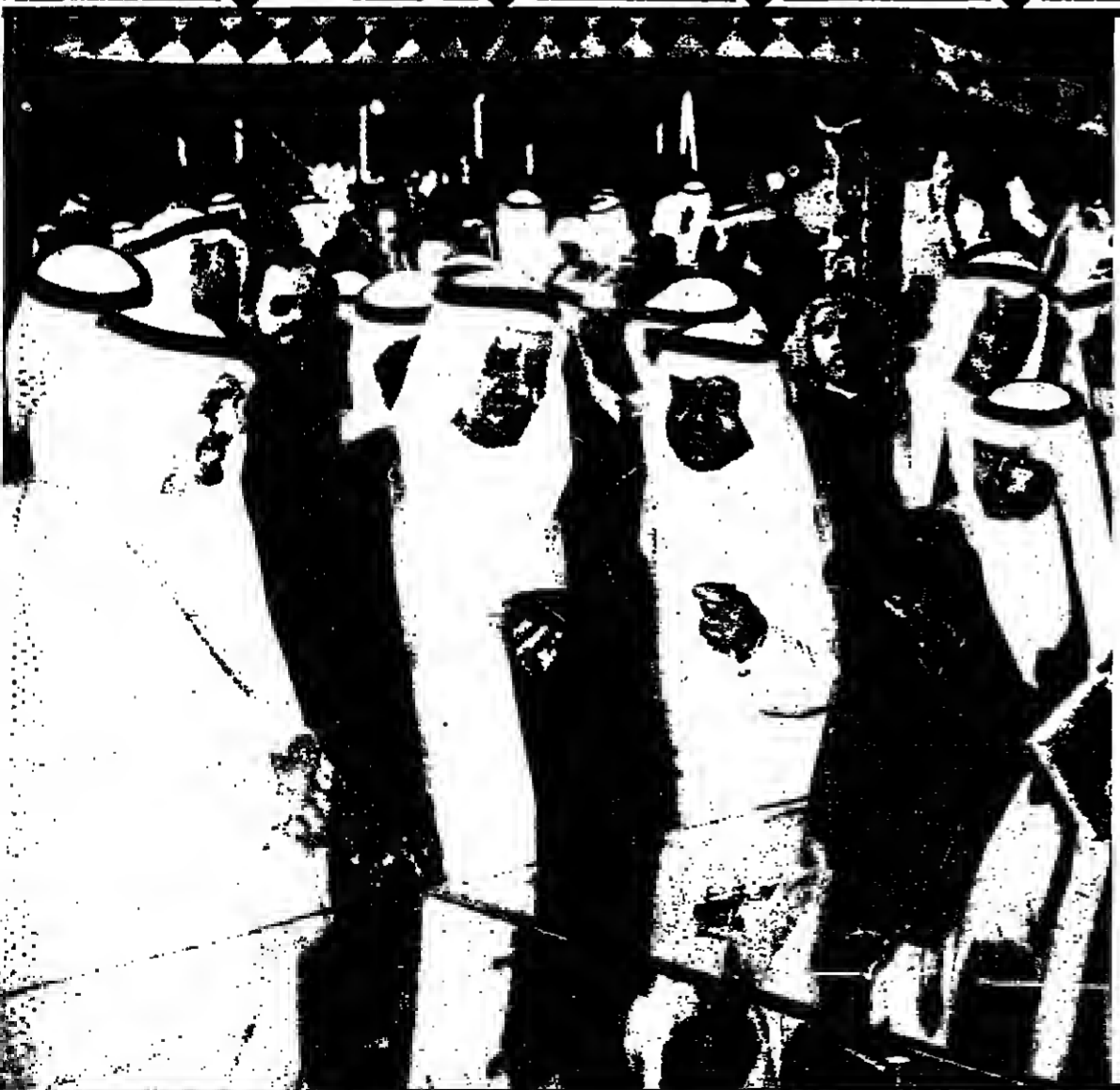
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Jobert's meetings canceled

Peking raps French diplomat

PEKING, Nov. 10 (AFP) — Chinese Prime Minister Zhao Ziyang has accused a French diplomat whose fiancée was sentenced Monday to two years "re-education through labor" of having "financed, aided and served as an intermediary" between Chinese dissident circles and abroad.

The accusations against Emmanuel Bellefroid, 39, were made at a meeting the Chinese premier had Monday with visiting French External Trade Minister Michel Jobert. French sources said. Zhao gave no further details of the accusations.

The sentencing of Miss Li Shuang, a 25-year-old member of a non-conformist group of artists, following her arrest on Sept. 9 outside the diplomatic compound residence in Peking where Bellefroid lived cast a shadow over Jobert's visit here.

On hearing of the action against Miss Li, Jobert the first member of the new Socialist government in France to visit China — immediately canceled two rounds of technical talks he was to have held with Chinese officials.

Jobert, due to leave Peking for France Tuesday after a five-day visit, expressed his "disappointment" on the matter to China's defacto leader, Vice Chairman Deng Xiaoping. He made similar remarks Monday to Zhao.

The French minister told journalists that China's action on an issue which was of concern to both Peking and Paris "has totally changed the nature of my visit and had I been better informed, would not have come." He added that Deng had viewed it as an "unfortunate coincidence." Jobert said he had emphasized to Chinese leaders the impor-

tance the French government attached to the affair and its possible consequences on future relations between France and China.

French sources said Zhao had pointed out that the cases of Miss Li and Bellefroid were "not linked." Bellefroid left Peking on Oct. 23 to take up a new position in Hong Kong. "The case of Li Shuang will be handled in terms of Chinese law and is of concern to China only," Zhao told Jobert.

Miss Li was accused at the time of her arrest of being in an "irregular situation" by staying at a residence reserved for foreigners.

Now, however, it is understood that she was charged with "corruption of morals." Last week she was taken to the Liang Xiang re-education center about 30 kms southwest of Peking. "Re-Education through labor" is an administrative action usually taken by the police without the case going to court.

Jobert said that nuclear and oil matters had been discussed in his talks with Deng and Zhao. He said the prospects for cooperation in oil had been encouraging, but that the sale of two French nuclear reactors to China was unlikely to be resolved within two years.

BRIEFS

LONDON, (AP) — Princess Diana, expecting her first baby next June, called off a scheduled engagement at her husband's estates Monday night because she was "slightly indisposed," an aide said. The 20-year-old princess stayed home at Highgrove, in Gloucestershire, while Prince Charles went ahead with the visit to tenants on Dartmoor in Devon.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, (AP) — A new bridge was inaugurated between the Swedish mainland and the southwestern island of Tjorn Monday, nearly two years after the old one collapsed. The old bridge fell into the water when it was hit by a Liberian registered ship in January of 1980. Seven cars tumbled into the water, killing eight persons.

ZARAGOZA, Spain, (AFP) — Seven soldiers died and 15 were injured Tuesday morning when an army bus skidded and turned over on a curve just outside the town of Calatayud in this northeastern province. The bus was carrying some 50 soldiers.

WARSAW, (AP) — Four persons were

killed and 38 injured in a bus accident Monday near Szczecin in northern Poland, the official news agency PAP reported. The agency said the bus skidded on a slippery road, crashed into trees and overturned.

ACAPULCO, Mexico (AP) — Search parties found Monday the wreckage of an Aeromexico jet that crashed the night before with 18 persons on board, an airline spokesman said. The DC-9, on a flight from Acapulco to Guadalajara, crashed in the Sierra de Guerrero mountains about 70 kms northeast of the resort town of Zihuatanejo shortly after 10:45 p.m.

VALLETTA, Malta, (AP) — Malta's 240,000 voters go to the polls Dec. 12 to decide whether to continue with the Socialist government which has run the island for a decade or swing to the right with the Nationalist Party. The December elections will be the fourth since Malta won independence from Great Britain in 1964 and the second since the Mediterranean island became a republic in 1974.

Diet helps Africans survive sickle-cell anemia, malaria

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Nov. 10 (AP) — Some west African societies seem to protect themselves against the worst effects of sickle-cell anemia by the food they eat, a Stanford University anthropologist says.

And, according to Stanford's William Durham, the west Africans gain protection against malaria through the combined effects of their traditional observances and the sickle-cell anemia in their blood.

Doctors in the United States are trying to learn whether the Africans' diet can lead to a treatment for sickle-cell anemia, a genetic disease suffered by many black Americans and many Americans of Mediterranean descent.

The west Africans have an unusually high rate of sickle-cell anemia but live longer than most other victims of the disease. Durham wanted to know why. First, he discovered that sickle-cell anemia was more common in societies that grew yams than in neighboring societies that grew and ate rice.

No one could explain the difference, Durham told a seminar Monday. But Durham said he knew of research that seemed to indicate that sickle-cell anemia

would protect victims against malaria, which is common in west Africa.

The malaria parasite, which causes disease by working into red blood cells, cannot live very well in the red blood cells of sickle-cell anemia sufferers. But sickle-cell anemia is also a dangerous disease. It can cause blindness, pain in the extremities and death in severe cases.

The Africans eat primarily the yams that grow in the region. The yams contain a chemical called thiocyanate which prevents cells from developing a sickle shape, and thus protects those who eat it.

That explained why the Africans survived sickle-cell anemia. But if the yams kept the Africans from developing sickle cells, how were they fighting off malaria? The answer was found in their religious beliefs, which provide that newly harvested yams cannot be eaten during the rainy season.

The Africans were developing sickle cells during the rainy season, because they were not eating yams, and the sickle cells were protecting them from malaria, Durham discovered.

Indonesia signs agreement on nature projects

GLAND, Switzerland, Nov. 10 (AP) — A second five-year agreement for the protection of fauna and flora was signed here Tuesday between Indonesia and the world's two leading conservation agencies, the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) and the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN).

Going into effect at the start of 1982 when the first program expires, the \$1.5 million plan covers some 20 projects of the two agencies in 196 protected regions covering about four percent of the area of the archipelago of 13,000 islands, and their coordination, with other development authorities.

Indonesia has some of the world's most important tropical rain forests, is the home of orangutans, tigers, elephants, rhinos and about 17 percent of the world's bird species.

Since 1977, the WWF and IUCN have supported 37 conservation projects in Indonesia, more than in any other country, and in a brief signing ceremony here WWF director general Charles de Haes praised the country's conservation policy as "a model for other nations."

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Gene whips Sandy for crown

STOCKHOLM Nov. 10 (AP) — Gene Mayer, wearing down his big brother with ringing serves and a tenacious forehand, rounded Sandy Mayer 6-4, 6-2 Monday night to win the singles title in the \$200,000 Stockholm Open Tennis Championships for the first time.

It was the first-ever final between two brothers in a Grand Prix series event. But several brothers played major championship finals before the game's open era.

Gene Mayer, who has one of the most varied attacks in the game, was never really challenged. It was almost as one-sided as the 1977 final, when Sandy Mayer whipped Ray Moore in straight sets here.

"His forehand was impeccable and I've never seen him serve so well," Sandy said afterward. "I didn't serve half myself. I hit four first serves in one game, but I was still broken. That tells something of his returns too."

Gene, who didn't even drop a set to Sandy in their two previous matches as pros, scored the only service break in the first set for a 1-0 lead. He wrapped up the set with a pair of aces and another hullet which Sandy hardly got his racket on.

The first set lasted only 25 minutes. Gene,

who was seeded third in this indoor event, broke through again for a 2-1 edge in the second set. He then held to love. Another break gave him a commanding 4-1 lead.

"It was a question of which would be most effective — his aggressive style for my change of rhythm, Gene said afterward. "I think he got a little bit flustered. It's more important for him to serve well than me."

Sandy's baseline game — which keyed his 6-3, 6-3 upset of top-seed Jimmy Connors in the semis Saturday — was also disappointing.

Gene, who plays with an oversized racket and hits two-fisted off both wings, said changing his serve early last week helped his confidence a lot. "I started hitting more over the ball, not so flat. And I think I'm going to stay with it," he said.

However, he said he probably would take a long break until late January because his chances to qualify for the Grand Prix Masters in New York are slim.

Several fluke type injuries kept Gene sidelined during the most important period of the European summer season and his ranking dropped from fourth at the end of 1980 to eighth.

Gene, the ninth American since 1970 won the coveted tourney — the only official

indoor championship recognized by the International Tennis Federation picked up \$28,000 for his first Grand Prix triumph since last August. Sandy won \$16,000.

Bjorn Borg, the 1980 champion, did not defend the title in his home-town tournament. John McEnroe, the 1978 and 1979 champion whom Borg whipped in last year's final, also skipped the event.

Texan Steve Denton teamed with Kevin Curren, the former NCAA champion from South Africa, to win the doubles title with a 6-7, 6-4, 6-0 victory over Sherwood Stewart and Ferdie Taygan.

Denton, who split \$12,000 with Curren, scored an all-time high ten straight aces for a doubles match here and won 20 consecutive points in a quarter-final victory over Sandy Mayer and Frew McMillan last Saturday.

Meanwhile, seven of the world's top ten ranked junior tennis competitors will compete in the ESSO World Challenge Junior Tennis Invitation in Sydney next month, December 7-11.

The 32-strong draw will be for boys 18 years and under. Sixteen of the leading competitors will come from eight overseas countries. The remainder of the tournament will comprise 16 of the best Australians.

Riofinex 'A' records runaway victory

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Nov. 10 — Newly promoted Riofinex 'A' scored a runaway 9-0 victory over Ryttheon's senior string to take the top berth in the Jeddah Tennis League during weekend.

The other top team in the 'A' Division, too, had a field day with second placed Saudi Letco beating King Abdul Aziz Airport (KAIA) 8-1. Dunes 'A' beat Saudia City

Irregulars by the same margin, while Amaska leaped to the fourth spot with a fluent 8-1 victory over Saudi City Pie.

The League takes a break following the Raytheon Open and when it restarts, the top four will clash against each other. Riofinex takes on Saudia Letco and Dunes 'A' plays Amaska 'A'.

In the Second Division, the Italians recorded a 6-3 victory over Raytheon 'B' to top the table with 21 points. Saudia City Lets

who occupy the second place, too, have 21 points.

The third rung is filled by IAL, who got the better of Raytheon 'C' 7-2. The IAL lads raised visions of clinching the title with their impressive performances.

Fancied Riofinex crashed to a 4-5 defeat to Lockheed in the Third Division thereby making Lockheed the new champions. In second place are Wheimer Trachte who whipped Toyota 8-1.

Jeddah Tennis League standings

Table with 3 columns: Division One, Division Two, Division Three. Each column has sub-columns for P, W, L, F, A, Pts. and lists various teams like Riofinex 'A', Saudi Letco, Dunes 'A', etc.



ON THE MOVE: Anatoly Karpov (left) stares at the board as Viktor Korchnoi makes a move during the World Chess Championship tie in Merano Italy.

World Chess tie adjourned

MERANO, Italy Nov. 10 (AP) — The 14th game of the World Chess Championship was adjourned Monday and chess experts said Soviet titleholder Anatoly Karpov was certain to win.

Challenger Viktor Korchnoi, a Soviet exile, closed his 46th move after a grueling session. "I cannot imagine Korchnoi will resume the game," U.S. grandmaster Lev Alburt said after adjournment.

Karpov is leading 4-2 and needs just two more victories to retain his title and to win the prize of 500,000 Swiss francs, worth about \$270,000.

If Karpov wins game 14, the score will be same as in their match three years ago in the Philippines. Korchnoi then evened up the score to make it 5-5. Karpov won the final game and retained his title, but only after 32 games.

The Merano match is going at a ferocious pace, with a decisive gain every other game. Korchnoi won a dynamic game Friday, narrowing Karpov's lead. Karpov, after a two-day time out, returned with a vengeance on Monday.

On move 13, Korchnoi spent an hour and 18 minutes thinking, and then made with chess experts called a predictable move. This is longer than he has spent on any single move in any of his games in the Philippines or in the match here.

"I don't understand why he took so long on this move," Alburt said.

The game repeated the first 10 moves of game 10 of their match in the Philippines. On move 11 in that game, Karpov offered a fascinating sacrifice of his knight that set Korchnoi thinking for 45 minutes. That game ended in a draw.

But Monday, the challenger's huge consumption of time on move 13 did not answer any such complicated position.

Cowboys rally

IRVING, Texas, Nov. 10 (AP) — Dallas quarterback Danny White winged long touchdown passes to Tony Dorsett and Tony Hill in 20-point third quarter to rally the Cowboys to a 27-14 national Football League victory over the Buffalo Bills Monday night.

Federation Cup

U.S. begins with a bang

TOKYO, Nov. 10. (R) — The United States cruised through the first round with a 3-0 win over South Korea Tuesday to stay on course for their sixth successive Federation Cup women's team tennis title.

All eight seeded nations are through to the second round of the competition which began Monday, including fourth-ranked Australia, last year's heaten finalists, who swept past the Philippines 3-0.

The U.S. were led by Chris Evert-Lloyd, 26, the world's top player, who easily beat Asian No. 1 Lee Duk-Hee of South Korea 6-1, 6-3.

Andrea Jaeger, The 16-year-old U.S. Open clay court champion, also defeated Seoul Min-Kyeong 6-1 6-1 and the Americans wrapped up their triumph when Rosie Casals and Kathy Jordan beat Lee and Kim Sod-ok 6-2, 6-2 in the doubles. Lloyd, unbeaten in team competition singles for eight years, said the slow clay surface at the Tamagawaen court suited her baseline game.

Lloyd said the main challenge to another U.S. title would come from Czechoslovakia, the second seeds, Australia and Britain. But Czechoslovakia are probably the strongest

threat because Hans (Mandlikova) is unpredictable. She can beat anyone when she plays at her best," she added.

In other matches, West Germany and Britain, seeded third and fifth, won 3-0 against Japan and Belgium respectively. The Netherlands beat Hong Kong 2-1 and Romania beat Hungary 3-0. Czechoslovakia and eighth-seeded Switzerland reached the second round Monday.

Imran Khan injured

PERTH, Nov. 10 (AFP) — Imran Khan the Pakistan cricket team's most crucial player, has a sprained achilles tendon with the first Test against Australia starting here on Friday.

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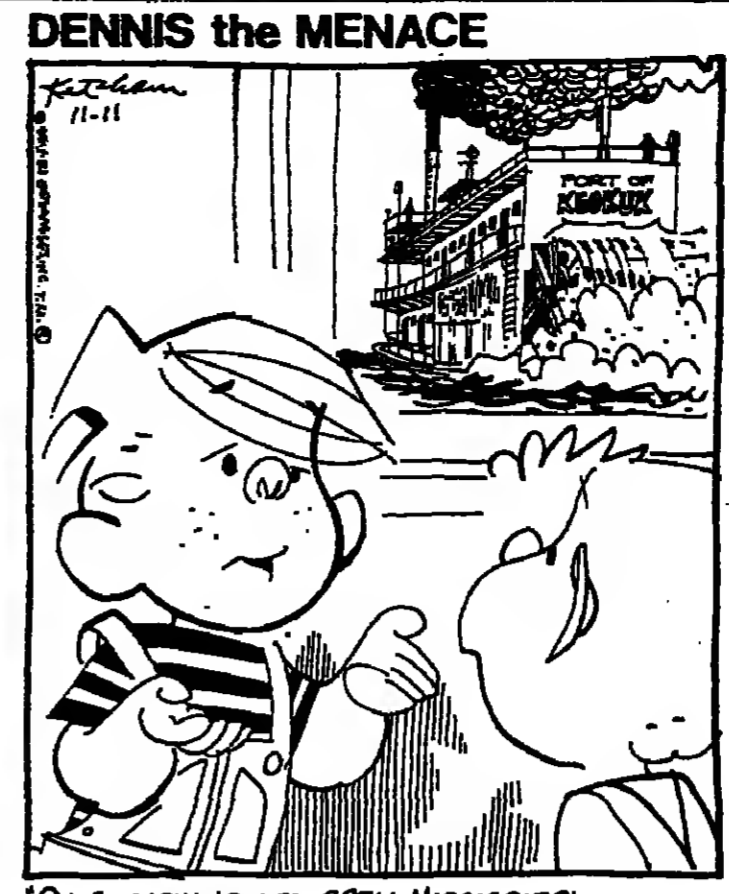
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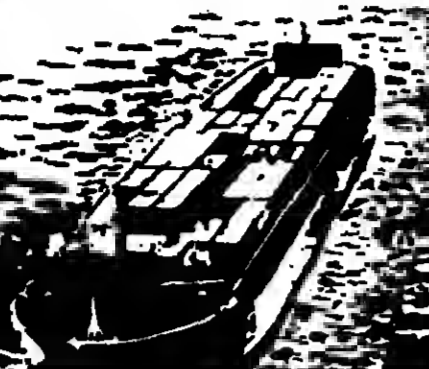


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Solidarity lists 6 demands
Polish unrest grows as peace talks near

WARSAW, Nov. 10 (Agencies) — Unrest grew in Poland Tuesday as the Communist government drew up a response to a peace talks agenda proposed by the Solidarity free trade union.

Coal miners occupied a strike-bound colliery in Silesia, newspaper delivery men blacked out the press in southwestern Poland and student protests were staged in some cities.

Two other focal points of unrest remained unresolved: A three-week-old general strike in the western region of Zielona Gora and a sit-in by disgruntled farmers at a Communist youth center in Siedlce, east of Warsaw. State radio reported that miners at Sosnowiec began an indefinite sit-in below ground after

Countdown starts for shuttle launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida, Nov. 10 (AP) — Countdown II for launch II of the shuttle *Columbia* began right on time Tuesday, aiming for a liftoff at 7:30 a.m. EST (1230 GMT) Thursday. NASA officials hope the abbreviated, 47½-hour countdown will last 31 seconds longer than last week's.

The countdown is now in progress, test conductor Darrell New announced at 8:00 a.m. (1300 GMT). Moments earlier launch director George Page issued the "call to stations" that summoned more than 200 engineers and technicians to their posts on pad 39A and in the launch control center 6 kms away.

Columbia was almost half-a-minute from liftoff last Wednesday, only to be derailed by clogged filters in two of its three auxiliary power units — delaying the first attempt by a space shuttle to leave Earth on a return trip to space. The space shuttle's first flight — also featuring a scrubbed first launch attempt — was in April.

The units have been cleaned, the spacecraft checked, and astronauts Joe Engle and Richard Truly are ready to try again. Their job is to prove that *Columbia* is indeed a reusable vehicle and advance it another step toward operational missions.

Balloonists leave Japan

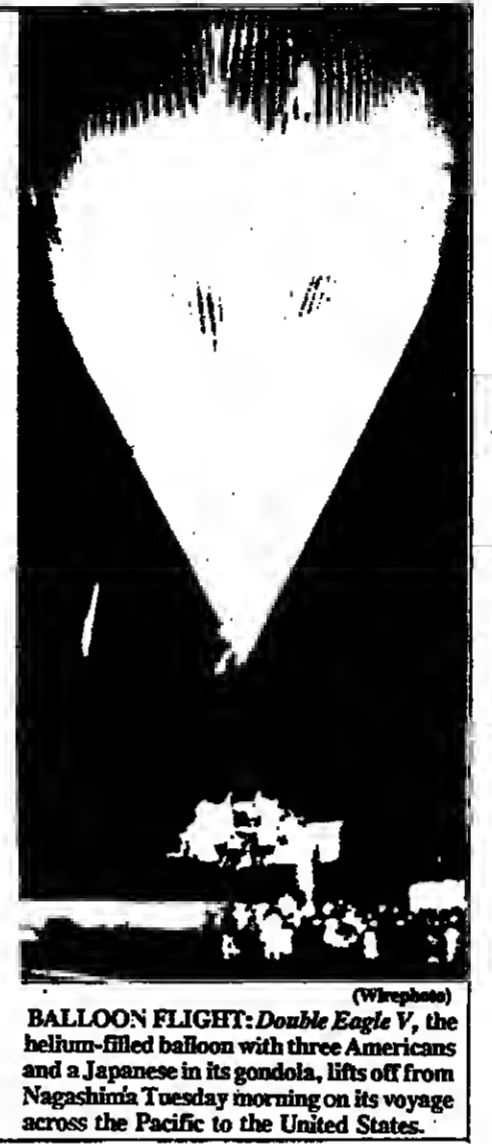
NAGASHIMA, Japan, Nov. 10 (Agencies) — Three Americans and a Japanese left here Tuesday in an attempt to make the first manned balloon crossing of the Pacific. The helium-filled polyester balloon, *Double Eagle V*, is expected to reach the San Francisco area, a distance of about 8,500 kms (5,300 miles), in three to five days, the organizers said.

The attempt is being led by Ben Abruzzo, who in 1978 became the first person to cross the Atlantic in a balloon. Other crew members are Larry Newman, 34, Ron Clarke, 41, and Hiroaki Aoki, a 43-year-old Japanese restaurateur living in the United States.

Aoki and the three Americans, all from Albuquerque, New Mexico, called off an attempt to make the crossing last March after tubes feeding helium into the balloon were damaged.

The reinforced plastic gondola is designed to float as a catamaran after any forced landing at sea. It is equipped with parachutes, satellite communication gear and enough dehydrated food for 30 days.

"It's flying a little bit low but otherwise there are no problems," one of the ground crew told Agence France-press 10 hours after its liftoff. The seven-ton balloon was located at about 500 kms (312.5 miles) southeast of Tokyo, 144 degrees 23 minutes east longitude and 34 degrees 36 minutes north latitude, as of 1:51 p.m. (0451 GMT), flying at an altitude 16,000 feet, the source indicated.



BALLOON FLIGHT: *Double Eagle V*, the helium-filled balloon with three Americans and a Japanese in its gondola, lifts off from Nagashima Tuesday morning on its voyage across the Pacific to the United States.

Ex-minister of Iran involved
Top U.S. court to decide on suit against secrecy

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10 (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to decide whether *The Washington Post* should get information the State Department says may jeopardize, if published, the safety of two men living in Iran. The justices said Monday they will study the government's attempt to block the newspaper's access to State Department files.

At issue is an interpretation of an exemption carved out of the Freedom of Information Act, a 1966 law aimed at curtailing government secrecy. The exemption protects from mandatory disclosure "personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy."

The *Post* filed a lawsuit after State Department officials refused to release information telling whether or not Ibrahim Yazdi and Ali Behzadnia are U.S. citizens holding valid U.S. passports.

Yazdi left his position as Iranian foreign minister shortly after the takeover of the American Embassy in Iran two years ago but remained a member of the Iranian Revolutionary Council. He subsequently was elected to the Iranian parliament. Behzadnia had been a senior officer in the Iranian Ministry of National Guidance.

U.S. District Judge Aubrey Robinson in Washington ordered that the sought-after information be released, ruling that it was "a matter of public record" and did not fit into the exemption claimed by State Department officials.

The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington upheld that ruling last Feb. 24, saying, "while we are sympathetic to the department's reluctance to release these records... Congress did not design (the FIA exemption) to encompass the withholding of information on the basis of physical security of persons stationed or residing overseas."

Relying on one of its prior decisions, the appeals court said the files sought by the *Post* are not "similar" to personnel or medical files. "To qualify as similar files, the recorded data must incorporate intimate details about an individual," the court said.

In its Supreme Court appeal, the State Department was represented by Solicitor General Rex Lee, the Reagan administration's top-ranked courtroom lawyer.

Lee argued that Congress never intended the disputed exemption to cover only details that are generally highly intimate. Instead, Lee said, the exemption should allow government agencies and the courts to balance "the harm to an individual caused by the invasion of his personal privacy against the public interest in disclosure... to determine whether the invasion would be clearly unwarranted."

He urged the justices to allow "whether the public interest in knowing whether two Iranian nationals are naturalized U.S. citizens holding U.S. passports is outweighed by the likelihood... that disclosure of such information, if it exists, would result in physical harm to the two men, the most palpable example of an invasion of personal privacy." "It is inconceivable that Congress intended this startling result," Lee argued.

In response, *Post* lawyers said "no legitimate expectation of privacy can attach" to the sought-after information because it was once a matter of public record.

Romania seeks cut in missiles

BUCHAREST, Romania, Nov. 10 (AP) — Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu, leader of a Warsaw Pact country, has called for both the Soviet bloc and the West to reduce missiles in Europe.

Ceausescu has long advocated a withdrawal of military forces from European territory and the border between East and West. He has also advocated removal of atomic weapons from Europe. He said at the dinner for Yugoslav President Srdjan Krajer that European peace could be assured only "in conditions of liquidation of the atomic arsenal in Europe."

Ceausescu, Romania's Communist Party chief since 1965, has steered a relatively independent foreign policy course.

Rejoinder to sub protest
Tass alleges Swedish spying

MOSCOW, Nov. 10 (R) — The official Soviet news agency Tass indirectly charged Sweden Tuesday with spying, in an apparent rejoinder to Swedish protests over the activities of a Soviet submarine.

In a report from Stockholm, the agency quoted a magazine called *Pax* as saying that Sweden's military intelligence was working closely with the Western NATO alliance to eavesdrop on secret Soviet communications.

"The Swedish military intelligence services have for long been engaged in electronic espionage against the Soviet Union," Tass quoted the magazine as saying.

It said *Pax* was published by a group called the Swedish Peace and Arbitration Committee, which was demanding an official enquiry into "improper activities" by the secret service. The report appeared to be linked with the incident in which Soviet submarine *137* was held by Sweden for 11 days after running aground in a Swedish military zone. It was released last week.

The Swedish government said it was virtually certain the submarine had entered its territorial waters to carry out espionage, and it had good reason to believe the vessel was carrying nuclear weapons. Moscow has not replied to either charge and the official Soviet media have not mentioned the submarine at all since a brief report on it appeared a week ago.

Tass quoted the Swedish magazine as saying an eavesdropping station had been built on the island of Lovoe, near Stockholm, in the early 1960s at the suggestion of the United States.

"It makes it possible to listen in to areas deep inside Soviet territory, determine the location of military bases, control and communications centers and monitor the flights of aircraft," it added.

The agency said *Pax* believed the station was linked with NATO's electronic eavesdropping systems. It was the first time in years that the Soviet media have carried a report alleging that Sweden was involved in spying against Moscow.

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Thatcher refuses espionage probe

LONDON, Nov. 10 (AP) — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher faced tough questions in the House of Commons Tuesday from legislators angry about her refusal to order a new investigation into Soviet penetration of Britain's scandal-plagued intelligence agencies.


It was the first chance for the lawmakers to challenge Mrs. Thatcher face-to-face in the house since last week's disclosure that former military intelligence officer Leo Long was a member of a Soviet spy ring operated by Anthony Blunt, disgraced former art adviser to Queen Elizabeth II.

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